

## **Public Service Commission of Wisconsin**

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137-CE-139

November 17, 2005

Mr. David Turner 1215 Lawton lane Waunakee, WI 53597

Re: Application of American Transmission Company, as an Electric

Public Utility, to Construct a New Waunakee Substation and Build a New 138 kV Line From the North Madison Substation to the New Waunakee Substation in the Towns of Vienna and Westport, Dane

County, WI

Dear Mr. Turner:

I am responding to your e-mail of October 21, 2005 to Commissioner Mark Meyer. State of Wisconsin ex parté rules prohibit him from replying to you. Ex parté rules govern the manner in which persons may communicate with Public Service Commission (PSC) Commissioners concerning docketed proceedings of the PSC. The rules play an important role in protecting the fairness of the PSC's proceedings by assuring that PSC decisions are not influenced by off-the-record communications between the Commissioners and others.

American Transmission Company (ATC) has not submitted an application for the proposed project about which you are concerned. That application will probably come to the PSC in mid-January 2006. The PSC will hold a public hearing on ATC's application sometime in mid-to late-summer of 2006. The public hearing creates the public record that, by law, is what the Commissioners are required to consider in their deliberations and decision-making. That public hearing is your opportunity to voice your concerns and comments regarding the project.

We will add your name to the mailing list we will use to contact people regarding the public hearing, any meetings, or other aspects of this project.

If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Steve Fix of the PSC staff. He can be reached at 608-267-9197 or via e-mail at steven.fix@psc.state.wi.us.

Sincerely,

Robert Norcross

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